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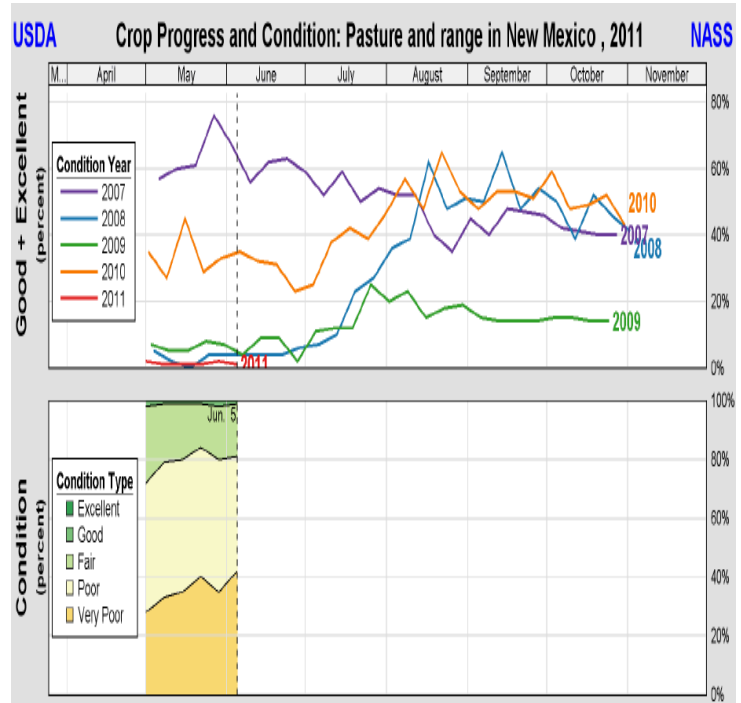
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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 12, 2011

**NEW MEXICO:** Alfalfa conditions were mostly good; second cutting 72% complete. Corn was mostly fair; 100% planted, 88% emerged. Cotton was mostly poor; 100% planted, 3% squaring. Sorghum was mostly fair; 47% planted. Winter wheat was mostly very poor, 29% harvested for grain. Peanuts were mostly fair, 100% planted. Chile was mostly fair. Onion conditions were mostly good, 17% harvested. Pecan conditions were mostly good; 3% light nut set, 97% average nut set. Apples were mostly fair to good; 80% light fruit set, 20% average fruit set. Cattle conditions were mostly fair to poor. Sheep conditions were mostly poor to very poor. Range and pasture conditions were mostly very poor to poor. Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 78% very short, 21% short and 1% adequate. Wind damage was 16% light, 12% moderate and 10% severe.



CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS					
Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cutting	72	44	43	57
Corn	Planted	100	93	93	100
Corn	Emerged	88	54	71	82
Cotton	Planted	100	95	97	99
Cotton	Squaring	3	1	-	9
Onion	Harvested	17	11	38	49
Peanut	Planted	100	75	91	91
Sorghum	Planted	47	33	65	67
Wheat	Harvest	29	17	23	29

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES					
	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	1	4	29	50	16
Chile	-	3	74	23	-
Corn	1	7	73	14	5
Cotton	9	31	19	39	2
Onion	-	-	8	82	10
Peanut	-	6	86	8	-
Pecan	-	1	35	54	10
Sorghum	8	22	60	10	-
Winter Wheat	56	13	26	5	-
Cattle	7	26	49	18	-
Sheep	27	42	23	8	-

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES				
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	48	48	4	-
Northeast	77	23	-	-
Southwest	98	2	-	-
Southeast	84	14	2	-
State Current	78	21	1	-
State-Last Week	68	27	5	-
State-Last Year	23	45	32	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	34	36	30	-

Additional Comments:

**Curry:** Hot, dry conditions remain over the entire area affecting all phases of agriculture. Hay production being the least affected with no rain damaged hay, but low humidity slowing baling at times. Livestock producers had a brief respite from culling herds with showers and decent rains in areas but more necessary to really relieve the extreme drought conditions. Irrigated corn and other crops not severely affected but dryland production at a standstill. **De Baca:** Pasture conditions are extremely dry. Ranchers are still feeding their cattle beyond their normal cutoff date. **Guadalupe:** Livestock conditions are good to fair due to the heavy supplemental feeding taking place. Pasture conditions are poor due to lack of rains and moisture through the winter and spring. Ranchers are starting to sell some of their livestock. Farmers are irrigating and completing their plantings. Hot day time

temperatures this week. We need some rain soon. Some parts of the county received anywhere from 1/10 - 3/10 of an inch of rain on Monday evening. **Grant:** 1/2 inch of rain, drought conditions still affecting crop planting and selling of livestock. **Luna / Grant:** Pasture conditions continue to deteriorate because of the severity of the drought. Moisture is needed desperately. **Chaves:** Hot and dry. **Otero / Lincoln:** Rangeland is in poor condition; heavy supplemental feeding continues; fed costs soaring. **Eddy:** 236 days without meaningful precipitation. Received a trace two days but less the 100th of an inch. RH went up enough to put up some alfalfa. Livestock being fed 4X a week on the average. Some are feeding every day. Lot of fires, Most being kept small.

